

MOYER LOG HOUSE

AL-II-A-063
Murley's Branch Road
ca. 1825

The Moyer House is located on Murley's Branch Road near Flintstone on a tract known as the "Resurvey of Deer Path." The house consists of a two story log mansion and was probably constructed by a member of the McKelfish family who, in addition to being farmers, operated a gun powder mill and a game chicken farm.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Moyer Log House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Murley's Branch Road 1.5 miles southwest of Warm Springs Road

CITY, TOWN

Flintstone

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

☐ STRUCTURE

☐ SITE

☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS

☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

☐ UNOCCUPIED

☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES RESTRICTED

☐ YES UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE

☐ COMMERCIAL

☐ EDUCATIONAL

☐ ENTERTAINMENT

☐ GOVERNMENT

☐ INDUSTRIAL

☐ MILITARY

☐ MUSEUM

☐ PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

☐ RELIGIOUS

☐ SCIENTIFIC

☐ TRANSPORTATION

☐ OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Walter Moyer

Telephone #: 478-2182

STREET & NUMBER

Route 2

CITY, TOWN

Flintstone

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland,

STATE

Maryland

Liber #: 415

Folio #: 9

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☒ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Moyer Log House is located on the north side of Murley's Branch Road, 1.5 miles southwest of Warm Springs Road, Flintstone, Allegany County.

The Moyer House is an irregular rectangular block that is two stories tall and three bays wide. At present the house is covered with weatherboard; however, the original structure is log. The building rests on a high slate foundation. The roof is gabled with a soffit, boxed cornice and returns. It is covered with tin. Windows are double hung, pegged, frame sashes with a combination of two over two and six over six lights. Entrances are located on the south and west sides of the house and feature paneled doors with transom lights. A single bay end porch that is supported by square columns and scrolled brackets covers the west entrance. One original corbeled brick chimney is located at the inside gable end while a second replaced cement block chimney is located at the outside gable end.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES *CA 1800*

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Moyer house is located on Murley's Branch Road near Flintstone on a tract known as the "Resurvey of Deer Path". The house was probably constructed by a member of the McKelfish family in the last decade of the 18th century. The family, in addition to being farmers, operated a gun powder mill and a game chicken farm.¹

¹ "Heritage Press", Vol. I, No. II, p.5

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

"Heritage Press", Vol. I, No. II

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 12.6 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John Nelson, Joan Baldwin & Steve Beale

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

11/8/76

STREET & NUMBER

507 National Highway

TELEPHONE

777-8991

CITY OR TOWN

LaVale.

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO. AL-II-A-063415/9
12.6ADATE: 10/13/76

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Meyer Log HouseLOCATION OF PROPERTY: Murphy's Branch Rd. 1.5 miles S.W. of Warm Springs Rd.

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: _____

NAME OF OWNER: Walter Meyer 478-2182ADDRESS: Rt. 2Flinstone

STORIES: 1() 2() 3() 4() 5() 6() BAYS: 1() 2() 3() 4() 5() 6() 7() ()

WINGS, ADDITIONS: small rectangular addition abuts on rearDwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- ☒ FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
☐ BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
☐ STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
☒ LOG
☐ Other: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERSFOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE slateWATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICKWINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1() 2/2() 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other()
pegged () nailed() wide () narrow () mitred () pediment ()ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: South + WestHARDWARE: original() replaced()
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal BoardsCORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)
original() replaced() Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze, ArchitraveROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, HANGARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, FORMERS #
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original() replaced()

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip() gable()

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 2 BRICK() STONE() CORBELLED() original() replaced()
LOCATION: Flush end() Inside end() Outside end() Central() Interior()

ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - Residence
Significance - Arch
Date Constructed - CA 1800
Condition - Fair

TITLE SEARCH

Moyer Log House
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Allegany County Deed, Liber 415, Folio 9
grantee: Walter Moyer
grantor: George V. O'Neal
December 14, 1967
Consideration: \$4,000.00

Allegany County Deed, Liber 359, Folio 365
grantee: George V. O'Neal
grantor: Jack Allen Pifer & Hazel Marie Pifer
May 31, 1963
Consideration: \$4,000.00

Allegany County Deed, Liber 343, Folio 315
grantee: Jack Allen Pifer & Hazel Marie Pifer
grantor: Hobart E. Smith & Margaret Ann Smith
August 31, 1961
Consideration: \$4,000.00

Allegany County Deed, Liber 289, Folio 88
grantee: Hobart E. Smith
grantor: Edward J. Ryan, Trustee
March 10, 1956

Allegany County Deed, Liber 87, Folio 155
grantee: Mary Robinette
grantor: Amos Ash
April 27, 1900

Allegany County Deed, Liber 24, Folio 212
grantee: John Ash, (father of Amos)
grantor: Hanson Willison
December 2, 1865
Consideration: \$,200.00

Allegany County Deed, Liber N, Folio 100
grantee: John McKelfish
grantor: David McKelfish
December 2, 1825

 "Resurvey of Deer Path", Deed mentions both powder mill and dwelling house)

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Murley's Branch Rd

USGS - Flintstone Quad

1:24,000

1950

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MOYER LOG HOUSE

J. H. 7/77

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Breakneck

MIT



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Mayer Log House

Murley's Branch Rd.

John Nelson

10/13/76

West



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Moyer Log House

Murkey's Branch Rd.

John Nelson

10/13/76

Northeast